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Your applicant, Thomas A. Bontems, inventor of *NOZZLE COUPLING*, application for which is submitted concurrently herewith (RAP Docket No. 4241-A1), certifies that this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, and respectfully requests that the application not be published at eighteen months.

Respectfully submitted,



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